

Chairman Crowley called the meeting to order at 8:00 a.m. Present for today's meeting were Commissioners Falstad, Schoepke, and Vice-chairman Bluemke. Secretary Richards was not present. Others present: Val Ramos, Airport Administration; Andrew Groth, Control Tower; Steve Betzler, AOPA/B17 Tour; Julianne Klimetz, County Executive Office; Mark J Shilobrit, Commerative Air Force; Kurt Stanich, Airport Operations Assistant; Keith Markano, Airport Manager; Greg Theiss, Commerative Air Force; and Harry Becker, Atlantic Aviation, Atlantic Aviation.

Approve/modify meeting minutes of February 11, 2009 – A motion to approve the minutes of February 11, 2009 was made by Commissioner Schoepke with a second by Vice-chair Bluemke. The motion passed.

(Commissioner Falstad arrived at 8:09 a.m.)

Public comment/correspondence – None.

Discussion and action regarding the WWII B17 Aircraft Tour at the Airport this June – Chairman Crowley asked Mr. Betzler to present this item to the Commission. The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) sponsors the B17 National Aircraft Tour. The EAA is a not for profit organization and money made from these tours goes into a scholarship fund for students interested in aviation. This will be the fourth visit this B17 makes to Crites Field. The tour dates for this event are June 18th to June 21st of this year. The B17 will fly into Crites Field on Thursday (6/17), but will not be open to the public until Friday, June 18th. There will be ground tours of the B17 and flights aboard the B17 made available to the public (fees will be charged for both). Mr. Betzler said there would be more activities offered to interest children and to promote public awareness of the airport. Other airport/aviation related organizations will also have displays and be on hand to assist in the tour. Chairman Crowley asked for assurance on the safety and security provided for this event. Mr. Betzler said there would be several groups involved to help with this concern. He said he would be working with Atlantic Aviation and Mr. Markano to acquire the proper paperwork and insurance requirements for this event. A motion to approve the EAA B17 Tour at the airport this June was made by Commissioner Falstad with a second by Commissioner Schoepke.

Discussion and action on a request by the Commerative Air Force (CAF) for use of available space in the Airport terminal building for display of CAF memorabilia and promotional materials (Mark J Schilobrit) – Chairman Crowley asked Mr. Schilobrit to address the Commission. Mr. Schilobrit said the CAF is a non-profit national organization across the country and gave the Commission an overview of the CAF. The CAF is requesting space in the Airport Terminal lobby for a display case and kiosk to inform and promote their organization to the public. Mr. Greg Theiss, CAF member and interior designer, provided drawings of the display case and kiosk (for ticketing) for the Commission to view. He said both the display case and kiosk would be portable so they could be moved easily. Mr. Schoepke asked if Atlantic Aviation had been approached about this by CAF, since their lease covers the lobby area. Mr. Harry Becker, Atlantic Aviation Manager, said this was the first he heard of this request. He was concerned that if the CAF is allowed space in the terminal lobby this will open the door for other non-profit organizations to request the same. He said Atlantic is revamping the terminal areas at other airport locations and Waukesha will be included. Mr. Becker said the only negative comment he receives from airport users is the seating area, that it is not very comfortable. Mr. Becker said approval for CAF's request would come from the Corporate Office. Chairman Crowley called on Mr. Betzler. Mr. Betzler suggested that perhaps some remodeling could be done in the Waukesha Aviation Club museum area to provide room for CAF. Chairman Crowley asked how the ticketing would be handled. Mr. Schilobrit said the ticket sales would be for special events only and handled by CAF members. Mr. Markano said the area that the CAF would like the kiosk to be located is the only area in the lobby that provides a good view for visitors/users to see aircraft activity. Vice-chairman Bluemke said Atlantic should be making this decision since they have a lease with the County for the area CAF is interested using. Chairman Crowley appreciated the CAF presentation and comments from those in attendance at today's meeting. He suggested the CAF work with Atlantic Aviation on an arrangement for their request. No action taken.

Discussion on possible public relations events at airport – Chairman Crowley said the B17 Tour in June would be good public relations for the airport. He would like to see another Safety and Security presentation by WCTC at the airport since there was much positive feedback from the November 2008 event. Mr. Markano said he would work with the County about presenting another Safety Security program by WCTC at the airport. Mr. Markano said he received an e-mail prior to today's meeting with some ideas for the airport from Julianne Klimetz of the County Executive's office. Chairman Crowley introduced Julianne Klimetz, County Executive Office, and asked her to

address the Commission. Ms Klimetz said she has been in contact with the marketing program at Carroll University to talk about some of their projects. She will meet with them again and ask if they would be interested in the Airport for their 2009 marketing project. She also said we could create a media kit that can be used for airport presentations/speaking engagements when requested by community organizations. Vice-chairman Bluemke asked if Atlantic Aviation would also be working directly with this project. Mr. Markano said no but that Atlantic would be asked for input into the project. Commissioner Falstad is the Commission's representative at these meetings and Chairman Crowley asked that he copy the rest of the Commission with updates.

Chairman's report – Chairman Crowley said he would be meeting with the County Executive this month.

Airport Manager's report – Mr. Markano presented a letter addressed to the T-hangar tenants regarding the monthly rate adjustment increase and electric use in the hangars that the Commission asked him to draft at the last Commission meeting.

In February, there was a problem of frozen underground pipes along Northview and Bluemound Roads. Because the pipes were frozen this prevented water coming into the maintenance building. The problem has been resolved but it took several days and city of Waukesha was also involved with this.

Mr. Markano said he received a very nice compliment from the pilots of Enterprise Rent-A-Car's Falcon 2000 this week. They were concerned with icy weather conditions being reported in the area on Monday the 9th. Upon landing they were pleasantly surprised with the runway conditions at the airport given the weather.

Mr. Markano gave an update on certain bills in Congress affecting FAA and AIP spending. He also met with Dave Krahn, County Board office, regarding airport interests to discuss when the County officials go to Washington, D.C.

The traffic count numbers this month are very close to those in 2008, but just a little below of where the airport should be.

Future Commission agenda items – Signage

Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Falstad with a second by Secretary Bluemke. The motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 a.m.

Next Commission Meeting: April 11, 2009.

Respectfully submitted

Michael A Crowley
Chair
March 11, 2009